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Fight for life Sheila in amazing poll win from hospital bed



EXCLUSIVE

BY LUI STRACCIA

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A SERIOUSLY ill councillor who fought to stay alive stunned colleagues when she was re-elected while still in her hospital bed.

Doctors battled for days to save Luton Labour Cllr Sheila Roden after she collapsed in the A&E department at Luton and Dunstable Hospital in severe pain.

She woke up in the LD's Critical Care Unit two weeks later having undergone a successful operation on a life-threatening duodenal ulcer but, astonishingly, still received 1,399 votes – more than any other Leagrave ward candidate in Luton Borough Council elections on May 5 – despite having spent eight weeks in hospital.

It completed a staggering comeback for Cllr Roden, who on Thursday returned to her Duncombe Close home where she fell ill in early March, and is now almost fully recovered.

She told *Luton on Sunday*: "I'm lucky to be here. It's only the skill of the doctors in the hospital that kept me alive.

"We'd just got back from India and I thought it was Delhi belly, but after

a couple of days I couldn't bear it. I made it to the phone at home and was taken to the L&D by ambulance but collapsed.

"I don't know if I was delirious. I don't remember much for a fortnight. I woke up and was confused."

Cllr Roden's ulcer had caused complications in that the wall of her duodenum, which leads from the stomach, had been perforated, causing her extreme pain and endangering her life.

She added: "I woke up in the unit and my husband, Alan, was there. It took a few weeks for what had happened to sink in. It was a bit of a surprise to know I'd been struck down by something that was so major.

"I must say the care from the doctors at the L&D was absolutely excellent."

Cllr Roden, who has served Leagrave since 1995, was watching TV coverage of the elections on the night but fell asleep in her hospital bed. She was told the following morning she had held her ward seat, and that her party had wiped the floor with the opposition at Luton Town Hall.

She said: "Other people had leafleted for me while I was in hospital. I want to say thank you to everyone but most of all of course to the people who voted for me."



Man who caused
airport chemical
alert avoids prison

A POLISH car cleaner who decided to take a chemical he used on car wheels back home to Gdansk caused a major security alert at an airport when it began to leak from his holdall in the baggage area.

Two handlers became overcome by the fumes, the fire brigade evacuated the area and no bags could be checked in for four hours at London Luton airport on July 23 last year, causing flight tailbacks.

Airlines had to pay compensation to frustrated travellers.

But a Professor of Chemistry said that if the substance – concentrated liquid hydrochloric acid – had leaked in the aircraft hold it would not have burnt through the structure of the plane.

Dariusz Tkaczuk, 21, pleaded guilty at Luton Crown Court to recklessly acting in a man-

ner likely to endanger an aircraft. On Friday he was spared an immediate prison sentence.

Judge Jeffrey Burke QC told him: "Because of your enormous remorse and distress I do not intend to send you to prison."

"You seem to have acted at a great height of stupidity and naivety, but this was reckless and not deliberate. However thousands of people were inconvenienced and the cost is incalculable."

"It is said it would have been unlikely to cause damage to the structure of the aircraft but if it leaked and smoke and fumes escaped, the effect might have been very significant."

Tkaczuk, from Slough, was given a six month sentence suspended for 18 months with 200 hours unpaid work and £1,000 costs.

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Simply the best LUTON on sunday



LUTON on Sunday's Lui Straccia was this week recognised as one of the UK's best local newspaper journalists.

The *LoS* news editor (left) was runner-up in two categories – Weekly Journalist of the Year and Scoop of the Year – at Wednesday's Regional Press Awards ceremony in London.

The accolades came on the back of Straccia's second successive East of England Journalist of

the Year gong in February.

Straccia, 31, whose Scoop of the Year entry concerned the Pakistan court case of a woman who allegedly murdered her husband by setting him alight and turning him into a human fireball, said: "I'm shocked and thrilled to have been Highly Commended in two categories, but it's really all part of the team effort here at *LoS*."

Jobcentre closure bombshell sparks union action vote

BY CHRISTINA JOHNSON
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MORE than 100 JobCentre staff have been told their branch will be closed down in a massive blow to Luton's unemployed.

The benefit-processing building in Guildford Street will be shut down within the next 12 months as part of

national cuts. The centre's 116 workers have been assured they will be offered roles elsewhere, but that will be of no comfort to the town's 5,335 jobless who will now find it even harder to find employment.

The Public and Commercial Services (PCS) union said it was a 'deeply flawed and dangerous' decision and next

week is holding its annual conference. The union is set to hold a ballot for nationwide industrial action by civil servants against the closures and other spending cuts.

PCS general secretary Mark Serwotka said: "Instead of cutting jobs, the Government should be investing in public services like these to help get people back to work more quickly and help our economy to get back on track."

A Department for Works and Pensions spokesman said: "We can't afford to carry on paying for buildings which aren't fully used."

"Front-line Jobcentre Plus services aren't impacted by this and we've made sure all staff affected have the option of moving elsewhere in the organisation. In tough financial times we have to operate as efficiently as possible."

Boy, 12, on attempted robbery raps

A TWELVE-YEAR-OLD boy has been charged with three counts of attempted robbery and two counts of theft.

The boy, who cannot be named for legal reasons, was arrested by officers from the South Bedfordshire Robbery Squad, based at Luton Police Station, on suspicion of two attempted robberies which

happened on April 1 in Market Square, Luton, and a third attempted robbery which happened on April 5 in Farley Hill. He was also arrested on suspicion of two thefts from the Co-operative Store in Farley Hill on April 2 and 20.

He will now appear before Luton's Juvenile Court on Tuesday.

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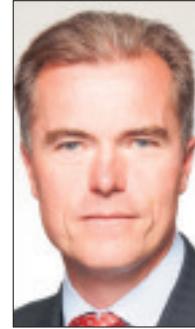
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Central Beds' new Tory leader 'up for challenge ahead'



THE new leader of the Conservative party at Central Bedfordshire Council is 'up for the challenge' faced over the next four years.

Cllr James Jamieson, 48, was chosen by his party members last Saturday to take over from Cllr Tricia Turner, but has to wait until Thursday to be officially elected as leader of the Tory-run council.

Cllr Maurice Jones is the Conservatives' deputy leader on Central Beds, replacing Cllr Richard Stay.

In an exclusive interview with *Luton on Sunday*, Cllr Jamieson (pictured), who represents Weston, Flitton and Greenfield ward, said: "The group put their trust in me to do what needs to be done. I would say I am thoroughly relishing the task but no one likes to make difficult choices especially given the budgetary position the country finds itself in."

"We are going to have to try and maintain services for residents. We can't keep them exactly as they are but maintaining services through driving efficiencies, which is a big task, but I am up for the challenge. I think we

should be a lot more open and listen more. I think we have been listening but it is the role of the councillors to do so and it is very important they represent their residents. I am very keen on the councillor as a representative.

"I have also got to remember there are 2,500 staff at Central Bedfordshire and we need to be transparent with our staff through these difficult times when some are facing redundancy and there will be a two per cent reduction in their salaries."

Cllr Jamieson, who ran his own management consultancy firm, will give this up to take on his new role.

Murder accused appears in court

A THIRTY-THREE-YEAR-OLD man has been charged with murder after a body was found on Tuesday morning.

The body of Barry Lees, 43, was discovered in a flat in New Bedford Road, Luton.

Wayne Ellis, of Hampton Road, Luton, was charged with his murder on Thursday night and appeared before Luton Magistrates' Court on Friday.

Hatters fans hit in the pocket to watch play-off showdown

LUTON Town fans are up in arms over ticket prices for the club's Conference play-off final.

The fixture will be played at Manchester City's Eastlands stadium with tickets costing £36 and £41 plus booking fee and postage bought through online ticketing agency See Tickets.

Luton reached the final, which will be played on Saturday, after beating

Wrexham 5-1 on aggregate following a 2-1 win at Kenilworth Road on Tuesday.

Tickets for the match went on sale on Thursday and, on Friday, it was estimated around 4,800 had already been sold.

Managing director Gary Sweet said: "We're still hopeful of more movement from the Football Conference on the matters

we challenged recently."

Luton Town director Stephen Browne said: "I think there is a danger that the negative press will shoot the Conference Board in the foot."

"This is a celebration of football at this level so they should follow the FA's lead in really attractive pricing to encourage families at a fair price."

In a statement the Football

Conference said: "It is a very difficult task for clubs within the competition to sell the vast amount of tickets required in such a short window of time (ie nine days) while handling all the other issues that come with the final."

"The booking fees are in place to cover the commercial cost of potentially selling 47,000 tickets in nine days."

Appeal sees Blue Lagoon killer's sentence reduced

BY SOPHIE SCOTT

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ONE of the convicted killers of Michael Gilbert - whose headless body was found in the Blue Lagoon - has had his sentence reduced by a third by top judges.

Richard Watt, of Chertsey Close, Luton, who testified against his family during the trial at Luton Crown Court last April, had his six-year sentence for familial homicide reduced to four years on Friday.

It was heard last year how the family kept Michael, 26, as a slave and made him sleep on the floor handcuffed to a bed in Marlborough Road, Luton, to prevent him escaping. Twice he got away but was tracked down by the family and brought back.

By the end of 2008 people were doing press-ups on a piece of wood across his mouth, and jumping on his stomach.

One of those who jumped on him was Nichola Roberts who weighed 21 stone at the time. After that Michael's health deteriorated, but no one sought help for him, even though he was losing control of his bowels and in pain.

He died at the house on January 21, 2009, his body was dismembered and his head was cut off. The parts were put in two plastic sacks, weighted down, and driven to the Blue Lagoon, Arlesey.

One bag was found in May 2009, but the head was not recovered until last February after Richard Watt confessed to police.

Following a trial James Watt, 28, also of Chertsey Close, his girlfriend, Natasha



IN PRISON: James Watt, left, Robert Watt, centre, and Natasha Oldfield, right

Oldfield, 30, of Leighton Buzzard, and Richard's girlfriend Roberts, 23, of Downs Road, Luton, were jailed for life for murder.

Watt was handed a minimum term of 36 years, Oldfield a minimum of 18 years and Roberts a minimum of 15 years.

Lord Justice Richards, Mr Justice Beatson and Judge William Davis QC, sitting at London's Criminal Appeal Court, rejected the sentence appeal of James Watt and the conviction appeals of the women.

Reducing 26-year-old Richard Watt's sentence, Lord Justice Richards said: "His assistance meant the remaining body parts were found and he gave evidence against members of his immediate family and his girlfriend in extremely difficult circumstances."

After last year's trial, younger brother Robert Watt was given four-and-a-half years in a youth offenders' institute for familial homicide, three-and-a-half years for conspiracy to pervert the course of justice together with a further 18 months for another count of conspiracy to pervert the course of justice.

Their mother, Jennifer Smith-Dennis, was jailed for six-and-a-half years for familial homicide, three-and-a-half years for conspiracy to pervert the course of justice together with a further 18 months for another count of conspiracy to pervert the course of justice.

Smith-Dennis' partner, Antonio Watt, 70, was cleared of the only charge he faced - conspiracy to pervert the course of justice by misleading police about the last time they had seen Michael alive.

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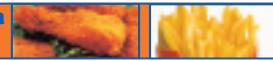
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Pigeon poop forces three-night road closure

POOING pigeons forced a road closure this week so netting could be put up to stop them nesting under a bridge.

A stretch of road underneath Sundon Arch, Luton, was shut from Sundon Park Road to Toddington Road overnight between Monday and Wednesday.

Pigeon droppings can cause a health problem if parasites grow in them and can also corrode paint if left on cars.

A Town Hall spokeswoman said: "The Temporary Road Closure Order was issued to allow anti-pigeon netting to be placed on the underside of the

bridge to stop pigeons nesting in the rafters.

"Council Health and Safety officers enforced Network Rail to act within 28 days owing to the health and safety issues in connection with pigeon droppings etc building up and falling onto pedestrians and vehicles below."

Russell Spink, spokesman for Network Rail, said: "We booked in to close the road for four nights this week but the work was actually finished on Wednesday. We cleared up the bridge and got rid of anything nasty underneath before the netting went up."



Council late show in reply to nearly half of FOI requests

EXCLUSIVE

BY LUI STRACCIA

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ALMOST half of all Freedom of Information requests made of Luton Borough Council were responded to late last year.

The Town Hall took more than seven months to reply to one particular request in 2009 before giving an answer – way longer than the statutory 20 working days response time.

Luton on Sunday uncovered the startling statistics – ironically via a late response to an FOI request – after experiencing delays to a reply concerning a separate unrelated question under the Freedom of Information Act.

We asked the council: 'Between January 1, 2005, and February 16, 2011, how many requests were not answered by the council within the standard 20 working days?'

LoS also asked: 'What was the longest period of time which the council took to respond for a request? When was this request made?'

Part of the council's response was a month late and, even then, not all of the requested information was disclosed.

The response was that, in 2010, 272 of the 589 FOI requests – 46.18 per cent – were not responded to within 20 days. The previous year, the Town Hall took 162 working days to answer to one question, while in 2008, the longest response time was 128 days.

Of the 1,904 requests made between 2005 and 2010, the council said it could not disclose information relating to FOI requests dealt with between 2005 and 2009 because of time constraints.

The council's corporate information officer also said she could not say how many requests for information had been refused as it would require 'disproportionate effort as this is not recorded on the log, so we would have to interrogate every entry.'

She added it was 'impossible to quantify' how much money it will cost taxpayers to investigate requests.

The council does not have an FOI department, nor does it have anyone with a role 100 per cent dedicated to

dealing with requests. Many public authorities have an online disclosure log where all FOI requests and their responses are published for public viewing.

But Luton Borough Council does not 'mainly because of technical issues such as the ability of our website to support it.'

A council spokesman said: "As the figures demonstrate there has been a tremendous increase in the number of FOI requests submitted to the council since the legislation was introduced."

"In most cases where a response has been late the requester has been kept informed, and may also have agreed an extension where, for example, the information was not going to be available, or not in the required format, until some time after the due date."

In March the council was criticised for revealing Luton Town had not paid any rent for the use of Kenilworth Road since buying the stadium from the club 22 years ago, only after being advised to by watchdog the Information Commission following a complaint by *LoS* that it was in the public interest.



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Inspector to look at plan for homes

EXCLUSIVE

BY LUI STRACCIA
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AN IMPORTANT plan to build thousands of new homes which took years to put together could be branded unsound - and even **axed**.

A Government planning inspector has called a meeting for Wednesday to explore his 'significant concerns' over detailed development proposals for Luton and south Bedfordshire.

The Core Strategy, which was published for

public comment between November 2010 and January 2011, sets out plans for housing, employment, roads, community facilities and schools for Luton and south Bedfordshire for the next 15 years.

A public inquiry into the Strategy is due to start in June or July but, according to inspector David Vickery, who at this stage has not said the plan is unsound, part of the aim of this week's 'exploratory meeting' is to avoid the wasted time, effort and expense of all parties in continuing with the public examination as

planned if it is likely that the Core Strategy would subsequently be found unsound'.

Possible outcomes from the meeting are:

- The inquiry is temporarily suspended to enable further work on the Strategy.
- The concerns are resolved now and the inquiry continues.
- The concerns are not resolved but the inquiry continues.

■ It is decided to withdraw the Strategy.

In a joint statement, Luton Borough and Central Bedfordshire councils said: 'This is prior to formal com-

mencement of the public hearing to be held later this year. Those issues will be carefully considered by ourselves and our partners and we will be helping the inspector to come to an appropriate view.'

'This is part of the normal process that we must engage with to ensure that an effective and pragmatic core strategy is prepared for the area.'

The exploratory meeting is being held in public and will take place at Central Bedfordshire Council offices, in High Street North, Dunstable, at 2pm.

Police searching for victims after alleged attacks

AT least seven people were attacked by one man during the early hours of last Saturday.

One of the victims was a 64-year-old man as he was walking in Park Street, Luton, at around 5.20am.

The attacker then walked down George Street towards

Manchester Street, assaulting at least six other members of the public before robbing a window cleaner outside McDonald's.

One man has been arrested in connection with the incidents and was released on police bail pending further investigation. Detective Constable Allan

McCarney is keen to trace all the victims involved but only one has come forward to make a complaint.

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Bus stalker got off at same stop as victim and tried to grab her

BY SOPHIE SCOTT

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A STALKING victim has spoken of her ordeal at being tracked by a man for more than a month.

Samantha Welch, 21, was making her morning journey from Dunstable to Luton when she was followed off the bus by someone who then tried to grab her.

Miss Welch, who takes the no 31 Arriva bus, said the man had been watching her every day for the past month before making his move as she got off the vehicle in Luton at around 8.35am on May 3.

She said: "He normally gets off in Bury Park but he stayed on and got off the bus with me. I've noticed in the past he's been looking at me and touching himself over his clothes and looking at me in a sexual manner. When I

got off the bus I walked under the underpass across towards Wellington Street and I could feel him walking behind me, and following me down the steps.

"I started walking at a really fast pace and so did he and I turned to my right and it looked like he was about to throw his upper body forward to lunge at me and grab me.

"I ran as fast as I could and as I got to the top of the steps he was back on the other side, with his hands in his pockets, just watching me looking happy with himself.

"I went into a cafe and started asking people to phone the police and there was a policeman in there getting his morning cup of tea so he took me to the police station and I made a statement."

PC Ben Schofield said: "This was a very frightening experience for this young woman and we are

keen to speak to anyone who saw this man or has been approached in a similar way.

"The victim has shown considerable courage and did the right thing by running to a place of safety and reporting what had happened."

A man has been arrested and released on police bail pending further enquiries.

The offender is described as being of Asian appearance, aged in his late twenties or early thirties, 5ft 11ins tall, slim with a long pointed nose.

He was wearing a light brown leather-look jacket and dark jogging bottoms.

Anyone with information can contact PC Schofield, in confidence, on 01582 473368, or call Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111.

Man to appear in court accused of serious assault

A MAN has been charged by police with grievous bodily harm.

Steven Neil Hardacre, 28, from Connaught Road, Luton, was also charged with failing to stop a vehicle when required by a constable, aggravated vehicle

taking, driving a motor vehicle when alcohol level is above the limit, driving while disqualified and using a motor vehicle without insurance.

He appeared before Luton Magistrates' Court on May 6 and

was remanded into custody. The incident had taken place on May 4 in Aphorp Road, Luton.

Mr Hardacre will next appear at Luton Crown Court for a plea and case management hearing on July 25.

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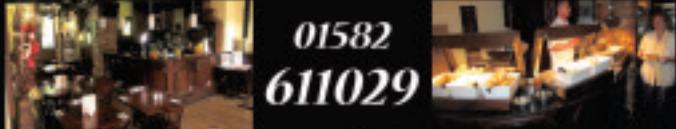
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Thank you Labour voters

SIR - I would like to take this opportunity to thank everybody who voted for Labour Party and supported the candidates with the campaign.

As a newly-elected councillor I would like to state that, as everybody knows, the Labour Party believes in equality, diversity and social justice.

For the bright future of Luton Town and our ward I will do my best and I do support the local Labour campaign for Luton to get city status.

I would like to welcome the local residents of Challney ward to get involved in Luton Borough Council's Your Way Your Say initiative.

My aim is to represent the community to bring prosperity and harmony within the local people.

Luton Borough Labour councillor
Tahir Malik

The help will continue

SIR - I would like to thank the people of Northwell ward for their support for me over the years. I have represented Northwell since 1997, when the boundaries were changed.

Over the years I have met many lovely people and had the chance to help many of them. I can assure you all that I will continue to help when I can, irrespective of political persuasion.

My family have lived here for 30 years and I can say with my hand on my heart I would not want to live anywhere else.

Many thanks to you all.
Luton Borough Labour councillor
Don Worling

It's hard to understand

SIR - Although I am not a supporter of the Liberal Democrats, I cannot understand voters who vote against the coalition. Local politics has nothing to do with national government.

Luton has had the Labour party which thinks it has won the Lottery and waste money on various schemes like the Luton Dunstable Busway to nowhere. Then we have a Tory party which spends nothing.

We have had councils run by all these parties over the past 40 years yet not one can run the council properly.

Take a look around your town, city status - who's kidding who? Boarded up, boarded up, boarded up everywhere you look.

Brian Keddie
Abbotts Court, Abbotswood Road, Luton

Lib Dems tainted by Tories

SIR - We are seeing voices critical of the Tory-led coalition among ranks of the Liberal Democrats following the culling of Lib Dem councillors and MSPs.

There is nothing wrong with coalitions or parties working together across the chamber; those of us who believe in electoral reform must recognise this. However in this case, the problem is that the Lib Dems sold out hand over fist all the key economic issues they campaigned on to adopt a diametrically opposed Tory economic agenda with regressive tax increases such as VAT.

The critics coming out the wood-work after the electoral collapse with the Lib Dems losing 695 seats in England is a little ironical.

Many of these are the same people who voted overwhelmingly for the

High Town housing project concerns

SIR - Words cannot describe how strongly I and many more people I know feel about our local council and the way it is handling the High Town housing project.

They once again have fallen silent on the issue. We now have two new councillors for the ward, Roxanna Whittaker and Andrew Malcolm.

We the electorate expect them to work for the people of High Town and hope they do not play the

party stooges and tow the party line as previous councillors have done.

Young and fresh from Cambridge, do they have what it takes to fight for people's right to be housed.

As very good friends of Gavin Shuker I'm sure they have been well versed about the Drill Hall fiasco.

What they and Luton Borough Council need to know is the

people of High Town and Luton are not backing away from issue, there can be no middle ground because we owe it to the people and indeed the next generation to have the right to be housed.

We believed Labour's promises and indeed voted on the strength of them.

High Town expects and it's now time to deliver.

J Carroll
Stopsley

coalition deal at the Lib Dem conference held in Liverpool last year.

If Lib Dems do not want to defend, in the words of former Liverpool Lib Dem leader Warren Bradley, 'the indefensible' deal then there is only one step they should take - resign and join the only continuing and progressive Liberal Party.

Lib Dem councillors across the country might have noticed while their councillors were being almost wiped out, in places such as Liverpool standing as Real Liberals against the coalition. The Liberal Party increased its share of the vote in our Tuebrook Stomycroft ward from 60 to 63 per cent of our ward vote. There was nothing inevitable about the rise in Labour support - it merely reflected that the Lib Dem Party had abandoned its left of centre position and effectively abandoned its supporters.

It does beg the question how many good ward Lib Dem councillors would have retained their seats had they remained Liberals outside the coalition.

Your readers will have heard Nick Clegg stating that he wants Lib Dem voices to be heard more in Government. Many Lib Dem activists and many of the defeated candidates/councillors must be thinking to themselves the sentiment of being heard Mr Clegg is a good one. What a shame it's many months too late.

When the VAT rise was implemented, whose voice was heard? Not Nick Clegg's, when the savage cuts to housing benefit were made which will impact upon the poorest within our society. Where was a Lib Dem voice?

This is just a sample of Tory-driven agenda and junior coalition silence. When the poorest in society needed a voice and needed someone in government to be on their side, it was not forthcoming Mr Clegg. Then we had the pledge fiasco in relation to tuition fee, a big political own goal.

The general public on May 5 then cast their votes and called time, not on the general, but made his foot soldiers pay the political price, most of whom were good honest hardworking ward councillors.

Their leader becomes wise after his own councillor base takes a political mauling.

The true Liberals within the Lib

Dems deserve better and will for sure want to implement Liberal values, Liberal principles, without having it tainted by a Tory-driven agenda and an awful feeling of being politically hung out to dry by the inactivity of your own leader's lack of judgement. The Liberal Party has never diluted its liberalism and there is a welcome mat for those Liberals who wish to come home to the 'Real Liberal Party'.

Peter Burrows
Saxon Close, Dunstable
Member of the Liberal Party NEC

Who needs city status?

SIR - M Angell thinks that Luton Town qualifies for city status (*Luton on Sunday*, May 8). In his letter, he mentions at least five times the quality jobs it would bring to Luton.

He seems to think that by dangling the job carrot in front of our faces we are all going to agree that Luton should become a city. I would like to know where all these jobs are going to be created in Luton.

Cities are usually over-populated, and suffer traffic congestion. We're all right there then. It will give them the excuse to bring in a congestion charge. Luton doesn't need city jobs. Our town has an industrial heart.

John Tucker
Bracklesham Gardens, Luton

Recreation centre 'fiasco'

SIR - I feel a slight sense of déjà vu concerning our dealings with Luton Borough Council over the High Town Recreation Centre fiasco as once again our correspondence goes unanswered.

Five weeks after presenting our petition to secure a housing development on the site it was then referred to the scrutiny board for review. Whether it has even been accepted we have no idea.

After sending emails to 11 councillors' departments and joining the council's Shapeyourfuture consultation group - as the public are encouraged to do - we still have no answers.

As a group we have trawled the council's website looking for any relevant meetings involving the Drill Hall but to no avail. Don't forget the council accepted money on this deal so

who attended these meetings and who will give us answers (we have now submitted a Freedom of Information Request)? Even Wardown Lake does not seem to be as murky as the council waters are right now... to be continued.

Jon Tobin
High Town, Luton

Generous donations

SIR - Macmillan Cancer Support has had a number of collections and again a generous response has resulted in the following.

A total of £692.73 was raised in Luton town centre, a joint effort with our colleagues from the Dunstable branch, while £181.40 was raised by Matalan in Luton. A further £304.95 was raised by Luton Town, with £343.29 coming as a result of efforts of The Mall Luton.

This will be used locally and our thanks go to our collectors and especially all those who generously donated. Your continued support is vital to the work of Macmillan.

David S Childs
Macmillan Cancer Support

A 'tragedy' for the deaf

SIR - The news that services for deaf children are being cut in 28 local authorities, or one in five councils, throughout England is very bad news for deaf children and their families throughout the country.

The costs in both human and economic terms will be significant.

Profoundly deaf children face immense hurdles communicating effectively in a hearing world and, without the right support, their education and employment prospects will suffer. Many will face severe social and mental health problems in later life.

The latest technology means that deaf children can now be identified immediately after birth - something that would have been unthinkable only a few years ago - and that hearing aids and cochlear implants can help these children hear at a crucial stage in their development.

Deafness Research UK has been behind many of these technological advances and we remain committed to finding new treatments and cures for deafness, tinnitus and other related conditions.

It will be a real tragedy if these cuts mean that the benefits unlocked by the advances that have been made cannot now be realised and that deaf children not only continue to be denied the opportunity to fulfil their true potential but are prevented from

making their contribution to the country's future economic prosperity.

Vivienne Michael

Deafness Research UK chief executive

More blood, please

SIR - I would like to thank all our blood and platelet donors for their donations during April.

Faced with two long holiday weekends in a row at the end of last month, we needed to build up blood stocks in advance. We asked our donors to make a special effort to give blood and they certainly did. During April, with the help of regular donors and some new ones, our stock levels increased. This enabled us to continue to meet the needs of patients throughout the extended holidays.

To help us maintain the vital supply of blood to hospitals we need blood donors to donate regularly, up to three times a year, especially those who are O negative and B negative. New donors are always welcome, too.

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Jon Latham
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The power of the press

SIR - We work in and with many different communities across the UK and we know from experience that local newspapers are an important part of our communications toolkit.

Much of our work is about empowering local people to tackle a pressing need in their local communities whether it is helping to protect children at risk of neglect, supporting people with disabilities to live independently in their own homes or creating safer and welcoming green spaces in our towns and cities.

Especially during tough economic times such as these, we recognise how we can inspire other people to take positive action in their local communities through some of the thousands of articles that are written about our projects every year.

Not only this, but local papers have also run significant articles that have played a part in helping to save valued work that were threatened by cuts. Every year, volunteers and their contribution are widely promoted, recognised and thanked through local papers for taking part in Make a Difference Day, the biggest single mobilisation of volunteers held every October throughout the UK.

Last year alone, more than 500 pieces appeared in local newspapers which reported on activities as diverse as creating homes for endangered snakes, bees and newts or protecting ancient burial mounds through to activities that helped premature babies.

No doubt this year, papers will make their own distinct contribution in highlighting the efforts of the local communities they serve and I know that we will continue to value the work of local journalists.

Lucy de Groot CBE
Chief executive
Community Service Volunteers

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Cops arrest trio after high-speed car chase

BY SOPHIE SCOTT

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THREE men were arrested when they tried to abandon a car suspected of being stolen after a high-speed police chase in Luton town centre on Monday.

An undercover cop car, two marked vehicles and the police helicopter followed the blue Vauxhall Meriva until it ended up in King Street, Luton, where the driver and passengers jumped out to make their escape.

A routine police Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) operation had recognised it as being stolen while parked at the Dukeminter estate in Church Street, Dunstable, on April 27 at around 7pm.

Eye-witness Carly Neale, who was working in King Street at the time, said: "I could hear sirens in the distance and then suddenly all these cars came roaring down the street."

"The blue one at the front screeched to a stop and three men got out and ran off."



NICKED: Police surround the car in King Street after a pursuit through town centre

"I couldn't see what they looked like as it was all so fast. It was really scary, they could have done anything."

The three men were questioned at Luton Police Station and have all been bailed pending further inquiries.

Money-lender threatened to 'send the boys round'

A LOAN shark has admitted running an illegal money lending business from his home.

Gary King, 28, was arrested in June 2010, when the England Illegal Money Lending Team executed warrants at his home in Arrow Close, Luton.

The group, who worked in partnership with Luton Borough Council, were contacted after a complaint was made, alleging King was operating an unlicensed money lending business.

Notebooks found at his home outlined several names and amounts, with some victims owing almost £15,000.

King would buy various items online and from catalogues which he would sell to his victims.

They would pay for these in

instalments, often with interest on top.

King sent threatening text messages such as 'I'll send the boys round' when people were unable to pay.

One victim described how he was made to pay back two and a half times the following week, when a payment was missed.

King, who pleaded guilty to illegal money lending at Luton Crown Court last Tuesday and will be sentenced on June 16, did not give paperwork to his customers so borrowers were in the dark as to how much they still owed.

Sarah Hall, Luton Borough Council's Trading Standards service manager, said: "We are determined to see loan sharks brought to justice and pleased to be working with this specialist team."

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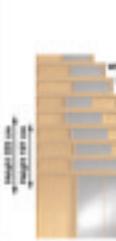
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Becoming an 'older father' has its fair share of issues

Thas been reported this week that Des O'Connor, who is approaching 80, would like to father another child.

He has five children, including a six-year-old and does not feel he is too old for another.

I am not too sure his new child, should he have one, will agree. Don't get me wrong, I am an old dad myself and support the notion that people should not give up producing off-spring once they reach a certain age. But it does come with problems.

When our youngest was born, she had to go to neo-natal at Bedford Hospital, as her mother, the present Mrs Lowe, was gestationally diabetic. Anything for attention.

I went to visit the baby, only to be told by a nurse it was parents only, grandparents were not allowed.

I occasionally suffer similar mistakes of lineage, which slightly embarrass the now eight-year-old, especially when dropping off at school. It is small beer but shows that soci-

ety is still not quite ready or conditioned to men in their fifties and beyond having children.

The first six months were hell, and I became one of Radio 2's biggest fans in the early hours. Time passes quickly though and the memory of it soon fades, with the new joy of potty training.

There is the added difficulty that your own parents are less likely to be of help, due to their age, or simply no longer being around. There must come a point when the pleasure of more children is tempered by the fact that you may not see them grow up, or may not want to endure those teenage years of your children while in your dotage.

Celebrities such as Des will obviously have support but I still feel there should be a cut-off point – just not entirely sure when it is.

While talking of babies, I am not happy at this idea of giving men equality that we quite frankly don't want. For years women have had to get at men to give them equality but

women are now paying us the same courtesy.

What is this we're pregnant business? I can assure you that at no point in the present Mrs Lowe's confinement were 'we' pregnant – nor did I want to be. I wonder if 'we' go into labour? I have a feeling that is where the need to share stops.

Some men may prefer to stand outside smoking a cigar but now social services would be called in before the birth if the father chose not to be in attendance.

Men are expected to share antenatal classes and appointments, and there are even prosthetic bumps that can give a man the feeling of carrying the child. Cords are cut – something I refused. And what's this about men taking off their shirts in the delivery room in order to hold the baby to their bare skin so they can bond with the child?

I actually feel that this is the woman's show and that while they deserve support, muscling in benignly on the act seems a bit of a con. She's doing the hard work here!

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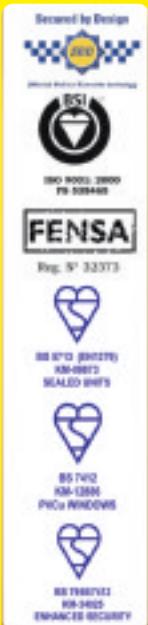
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Judge gives chance to conman addict

BY JULIA SUTTON

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A DRUG addict who conned a pensioner out of £50 has been given a second chance by a court.

Itikhar Ahmed, of Beale Street, Dunstable, was originally given a suspended sentence when he was convicted of fraud on March 15 last year.

But he breached that chance when he was caught in possession of heroin two months later on May 12, said prosecutor David Stanton at Luton Crown Court on Wednesday.

However Judge Barbara Mensah said she was impressed with the efforts Ahmed, 36, had made to turn his back on drugs and said she would not jail him.

Instead, Ahmed was given a one-year community order with a

six-months drug rehabilitation requirement.

But she warned him that any further breach would lead to a sentence of more than a year.

Ahmed pleaded guilty to the possession of heroin charge.

Mr Stanton said the heroin was for his own use and had been found in some jeans at his home following an arrest for a suspected offence.

The prosecutor said that Ahmed had been convicted in his absence by magistrates of obtaining money by false representation.

That offence involved him knocking at the door of a Houghton Regis pensioner and pretending he was living opposite him and had locked his house keys in his car.

He asked the victim for a lift into Dunstable where he could pick up

some more keys, and the man agreed to drive him there.

He then asked to borrow some money, and was given £50 on the understanding he would pay it back later that day.

Mr Stanton said: "The victim thought he had nothing to worry about because he believed Ahmed lived just across the street. But when he knocked at the house later the occupants had never heard of the defendant."

Ahmed was arrested for that offence but denied it, despite being identified by the victim.

Judge Mensah said she had seen evidence that he had been giving negative drug tests. She said: "I am giving you a chance because you have shown you can remain free of drugs."

"If you are able to rid yourself of that habit it is possible the courts may not see you again."

Court date set in cash machine attempted theft case

A TWENTY-TWO-YEAR-OLD man has been charged with the attempted theft of money from an ATM and the theft of cash and a mobile phone.

James Monks, Grantham Road, Luton, was charged with the offences in High Town Road,

Luton on March 20. He will appear at Luton Magistrates' Court on Friday.

Meanwhile, in a separate case, a 14-year-old has been charged with the attempted theft of a mobile phone.

The boy, who cannot be named

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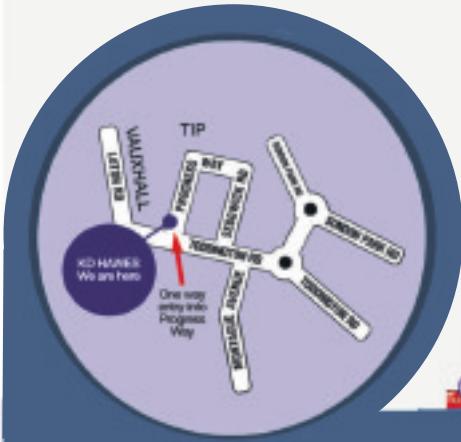
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The sedation of Asha was done in a unique way, leaving her standing up, which makes it safer for her to be treated. Because of her size, if she was to lie down, as is customary in sedations of smaller

WHIPSNADE Zoo celebrates its 80th birthday on May 23, but it is as busy now as it has ever been. Reporter SOPHIE SCOTT popped down to spend Wednesday morning with the zoo's veterinary team to see what their day-to-day job entails – and witnessed a procedure on an Asian rhino sedated while standing up.

animals, there is a risk that she could not get enough air to her lungs.

Vet Tim Bouts, who has worked at the zoo for five years, had sedated Asha in order to insert a micro-chip behind her ear and take some blood samples, but the young female had been particularly nervous and it took two shots, and a half-hour wait, to eventually sedate her.

There are six Greater Asian One-horned rhino, –endangered in the wild and can weigh up to two tonnes – currently at Whipsnade.

There is one adult male (Hugo), two adult females (Beluki and Behin) and Asha who is a young female.

There are also two calves, Ajan and Karamat (male and female, respec-

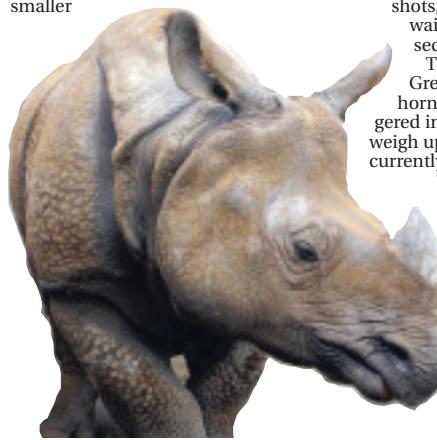
tively). There are less than 450 rhinos left in their native Nepal. Mr Bouts explained his proudest moment was when baby Karamat was born last November. He said: "It was quite a hard labour for her mother and we try not to intervene but we felt we had to in this case. When we got to her she was nearly in a coma and wasn't moving any more. She was very cold.

"We nursed her back to full health over three to four days. We had to give her plasma, which we had stored from our other rhinos which we keep in case something goes wrong, as that contains good antibodies.

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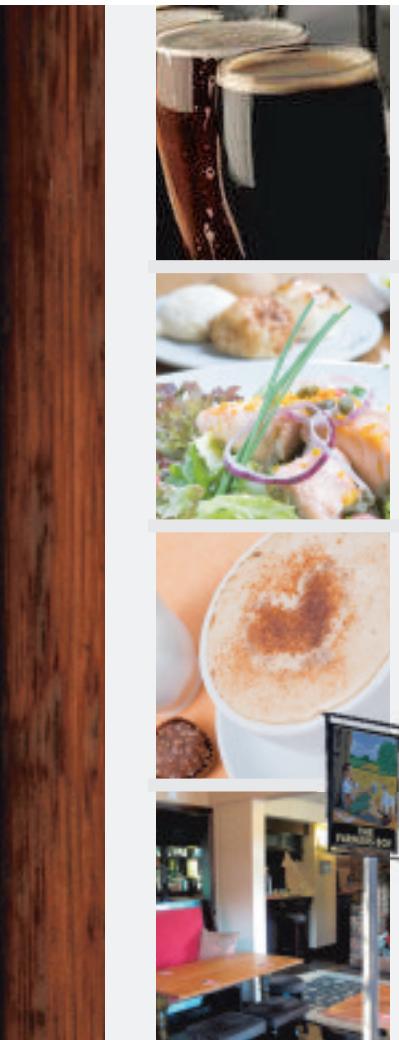
Mr Bouts and the two nurses, Karla Berry and Jo Dodds, are at the site five days a week to make sure all the animals are in top



Whipsnade Vet Tim Bouts places a cover over the head and eyes of a heavily sedated Asha so he can take blood samples

shape. He said the toughest animal to deal with are the chimpanzees, adding: "They are very dangerous because they are aggressive and clever.

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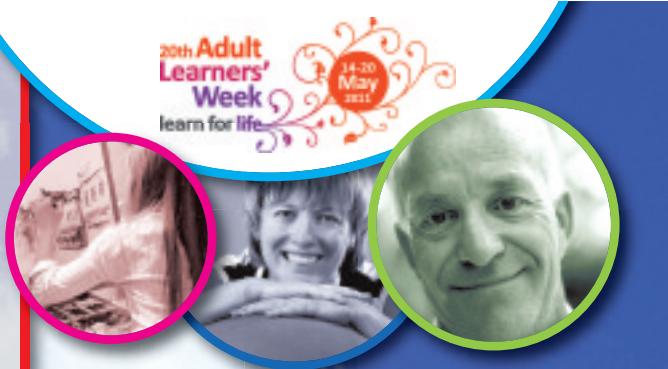
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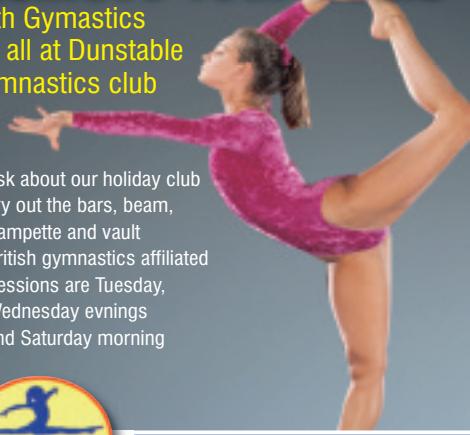


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COME ON YOU HATTERS – THE MANAGER

Boss Brabin calls for creation of Football League fifth tier

HERE can only be one team promoted through the Conference play-offs and Gary Brabin is hoping it is his side, though he thinks that both Luton Town and AFC Wimbledon deserve to be in the Football League.

The two sides eased into the showpiece on Saturday (3pm) at the City of Manchester Stadium with the Hatters beating Wrexham 5-1 on aggregate and the Dons thumping Fleetwood Town 8-1 over two legs.

Though the two clubs can feel equally hard done by over their current status as non-league outfits, Town were docked 30 points three years ago which saw them drop through the Football League trap door while Wimbledon had to form a new club and start from scratch

after the original Wombles were moved to Milton Keynes and became the MK Dons.

The days of the two clubs plying their trade in the old First Division and producing giant-killing cup victories at Wembley live long in many fans' memories and even Town boss Brabin's – whose association with the club only began last season, initially as chief scout.

"It is unbelievable that these two clubs are in this league," he said.

For one club there will be heartbreak come Saturday evening and they will rejoin the ranks of former Football League clubs in the fifth tier of the English game, but Brabin (*pictured*) believes that the division should be

reclassified to become part of the Football League.

"I think it's a strong, competitive league and I think everyone has to be educated about that. It should be called the Third Division," he said. "Clubs come into this league and everyone of them thinks they've got a divine right to get promoted but it's not as easy as that because there are some big clubs in it."

"There are some football teams who try to play football the right way and people need to see what a competitive league it is."

"If you look at the crowds in the division above and even the one above that, they're not matching the crowds that we've been getting so that shows you something."



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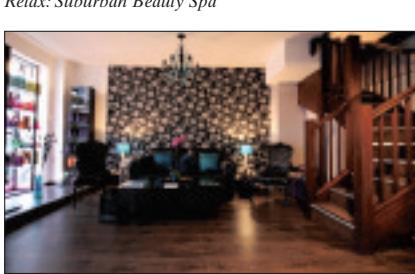
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COME ON YOU HATTERS – CLAUDE GNAKPA

Claude happy in supporting role at City

WEMBLEY goal hero Claude Gnakpa is happy for a team-mate to take all the glory in the Conference play-off final – as long as they win promotion.

The Frenchman wrote himself into Hatters folklore by coming on as a substitute to score the winner in extra time of the 2009 Johnstone's Paint Trophy final.

Back then the Hatters were still a Football League club and the defender-turned winger was rarely a regular in the side. These days in the non-league he is one of the first names on the team sheet, scoring 15 times this term – four behind leading marksman Matthew Barnes-Homer.

But he will be happy to remain on that figure as long as Town can beat AFC Wimbledon in Saturday's showpiece at Manchester City's ground.

He said: "As I scored the winning goal at Wembley I always have these memories in the back of my mind. Hopefully we can win this game 3-0 and be happy, even if I don't score. I hope I can help the

team as much as I can. The only thing we need is a win.

"Whoever gets the winner it will be fantastic for the team and the club.

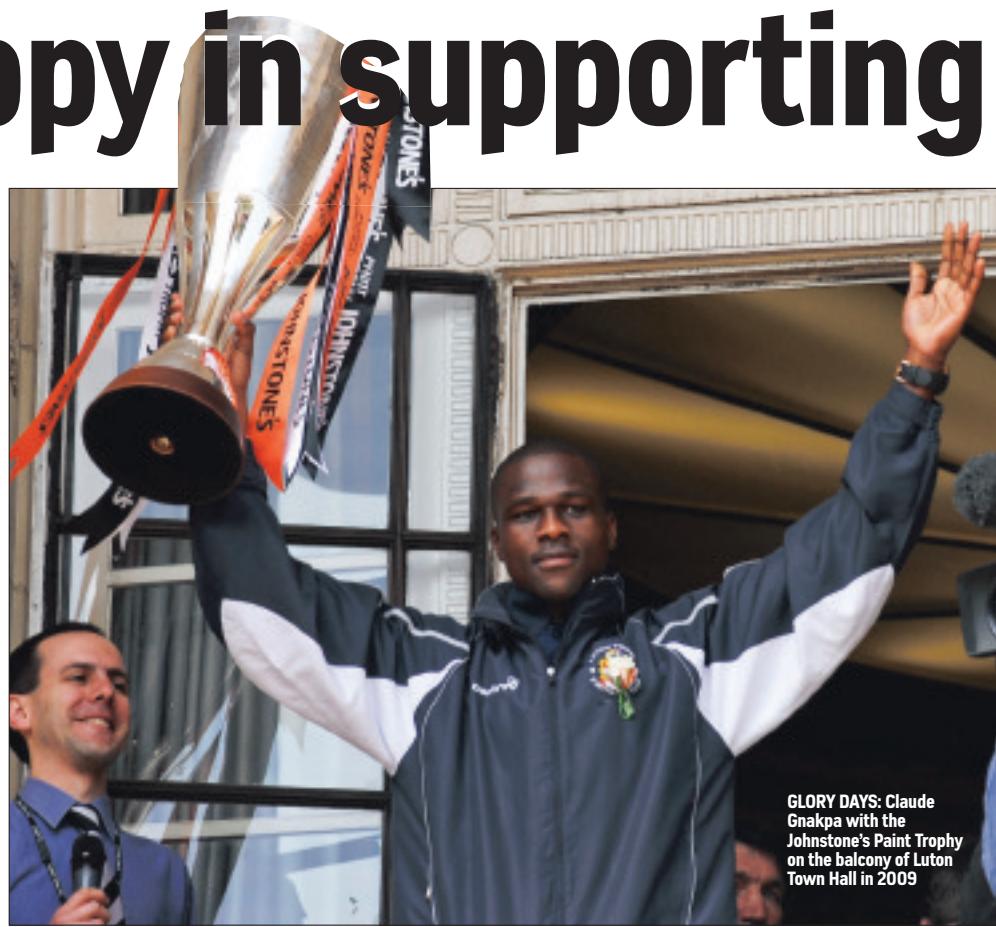
"We just have to be in the Football League. We have great fans and the club keeps a Football League spirit.

"Being at Luton it is a big club so I think like I'm still a Football League player. The infrastructure, the training ground, Kenilworth Road, the fans all make me feel like I'm a Football League player."

But Gnakpa did admit, after his Wembley cameo, he is desperate to experience the rush of playing in front of tens of thousands of Luton supporters once again.

"It was just amazing at Wembley. When we won and were then celebrating it was great to see so many orange shirts and scarves – just amazing.

"We want to experience the feeling and sensation from that Wembley win again. We want to do it for the fans because they've been fantastic for years."



GLORY DAYS: Claude Gnakpa with the Johnstone's Paint Trophy on the balcony of Luton Town Hall in 2009

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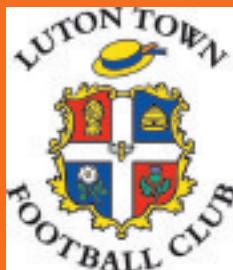
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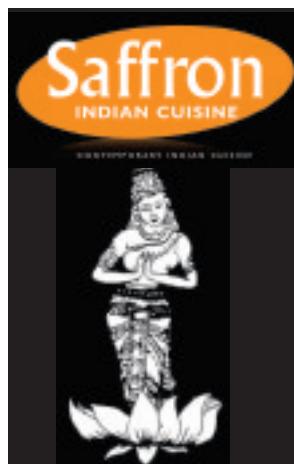
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COME ON YOU HATTERS – ALEX LAWLESS

Alex thankful to have Final second chance



TIME can't move quick enough for Alex Lawless as he counts down the days and plots his chance to avenge defeat in the last year's Blue Square Bet Premier play-off final.

Then, as a York City player, the midfielder helped end Luton Town's chances of an instant return to the Football League with a 2-0 aggregate win in the semi-final. However, a 3-1 defeat in the final at Wembley against Oxford United saw his dream of promotion out of the Conference flattened.

He left Bootham Crescent to join the Hatters in November and he again finds himself 90 minutes from a return to the Football League with Luton set to take on AFC Wimbledon at the City of Manchester Stadium on Saturday.

"I can't wait," he said. "It's been a long year after losing it last season with York. It's nice to have another chance to put it right.

"Coming here [Luton] and seeing the expectations of the fans, it makes me want to do it even more. That's no disrespect

to York, because they've been in the Football League before, but you can see how passionate the Luton fans are about getting back there.

"I enjoyed myself at York but winning would justify my reasons for coming here.

"The last time I played in the League was over six years ago. There has been loads of people who have said that I'm more than capable of playing in the League so I'd like to prove those people right.

"If we do win it would have been worth the wait."

The Welshman, who signed professional terms with Premier League Fulham in 2003 but didn't play a game before joining League Two Torquay United in 2005, agrees that Saturday's final will be the biggest match of his career.

"In my head it is bigger. Seeing the expectation and where the club was six years ago, I feel like I've taken a step up," he said. "My mate is a big Man City fan and it's good to chat to him but in my head it is not like playing at Wembley for the first time. I've

played at Premier League grounds in the past like Norwich, Birmingham and Stoke, so I won't get too bothered by it. There's no excuses for me, everything is in place to play at my peak.

"I'd like to think that I can handle big game situations."

"When I played at Premier League grounds, and even last year at Wembley where Oxford took between 25,000 and 30,000, we [York] took 9,000."

"It seems that on this occasion, my fans will be the dominant ones. That will be new to me. Tuesday night [the 2-1 semi-final second leg win over Wrexham] was great. To hear so many people shouting for my team was brilliant."

"I can't even imagine what it will be like [in Manchester]. It's one of many reasons that I thought it would be good playing for Luton."

Asked if he's allowed the odd daydream to enter his head about performing heroics at Eastlands he said: "Definitely. Anyone who said he doesn't is a liar. I've hoped that I'd be the one scoring the winning goal but we'll see."

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- Four Bedroom Detached
- Extended
- Cloakroom
- 20ft Lounge
- Dining Room
- Fitted Kitchen/Breakfast
- Full Double Glazing
- Cul-de-Sac Location
- Garden
- Garage

Luton Town Centre Price £75,000



- 95% Mortgages Are Available
- Two Bed Flat
- Lounge
- Open Plan Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Town Centre Location

St Annes Price £174,995



- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge
- Dining Area
- Modern Fitted Kitchen
- Well Proportioned
- Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazed

Old / New Bedford Road Area Price £319,995



- Four Bedroom Detached
- Corner Plot
- Double Garage
- Large Driveaway
- Two Reception Rooms
- Large Bedrooms
- Close to Old Bedford Road
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazed

Bushmead Price £179,950



- Three Bedrooms
- Corner Plot
- Lounge
- Fitted Kitchen/Diner
- Bathroom
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazed
- Excellent Location

Leagrave Price £299,995



- Four Bed Detached
- Lounge
- Dining Room
- Dry Cellar
- Two Bathrooms
- Gas Central Heating
- Mature Gardens
- Ideal For Commuter

Bushmead Price £195,000



- Three Bed Detached
- En - Suite
- Double Glazed
- Garage
- Popular Location

Bramingham Price £119,950



- End Of Terrace
- 3 Bedrooms
- No Stamp Duty
- Lounge/Diner
- Fitted Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Garden
- Garage

Saints Price £179,995



- Three Bedrooms
- Extended
- Lounge
- Dining Area
- Kitchen
- Breakfast Room
- Double Glazed
- Mature Gardens

Round Green Price £169,995



- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge
- Dining Room
- Fitted Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazed
- Driveway

South Luton Price £425,000



- Private Road
- Gated Access
- Prestigious Location
- Four Bedrooms
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Cloakroom
- Bathroom
- Wet Room
- Private 150 ft Gardens

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West Dunstable Price £399,995



- Extended Detached
- Lounge
- Upvc Conservatory
- Kitchen/ Diner & Utility
- Breakfast Room
- Cloakroom
- Bathroom
- Loft Room
- Gardens

East Dunstable Price £169,995



- Semi- Detached
- Lounge/ Diner
- Garage & Driveway
- Re-fitted Kitchen
- 2 Double Bedrooms
- Family Room & Study
- Master with En-Suite
- 4 Further Bedrooms
- Re-fitted Bathroom

South West Dunstable Price £177,500



- End Terrace Townhouse
- 4 Bedrooms
- Lounge
- Kitchen/ Diner
- Re-fitted Bathroom
- Study & Utility Room
- Block Paved
- Central Location

Markyate Guide price £69,950



- First Floor Maisonette
- Entrance Hall
- Lounge/Diner
- Kitchen
- Double Bedroom
- Parking Area
- No Upper Chain
- Must Be 55 Years Of Age

South Dunstable Price £189,995



- Extended Semi-detached
- Lounge
- Kitchen/ Diner
- Playroom/ Study
- 3 Bedrooms
- Re-fitted Bathroom
- Block Paved Driveway
- Garage To Rear

Totternhoe Price £399,995



- Extended Detached
- Home
- Super Size Garden
- Spacious Lounge
- Re-fitted Kitchen/ Diner
- Internally
- Backing Onto Knolls

North Dunstable Price £149,995



- Attractive Terraced
- House
- Entrance Hall
- Lounge With Fire
- Kitchen/ Diner
- 3 Bedrooms
- Spacious Bathroom
- Off Road Parking
- No Upper Chain

North Dunstable Price £199,950



- End of Terrace House
- Hall & Cloakroom
- Living Room
- Kitchen
- Master With En-Suite
- 2 Further Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Allocated Parking

South West Dunstable Price £225,000



- Extended Semi-detached
- Entrance Hall
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Conservatory
- Kitchen/ Breakfast
- Downstairs Shower
- Bedroom
- 8 Bedrooms
- Re-fitted Bathroom
- Garage & Driveway

L + D Borders Price £89,995



- First Floor Flat
- Secure Entrance
- Spacious Lounge/ Diner
- Re-fitted Kitchen
- Double Bedroom
- Bathroom
- Double Glazed
- Secure Underground Parking

South Dunstable Price £199,995



- Traditional semi-detached
- Entrance Hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen/ Diner
- 3 Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Lengthy Rear Garden
- Off Road Parking

South Dunstable Price £137,500



- Mid Terraced Home
- Entrance Hall
- Separate Dining Room
- Kitchen
- 3 Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Block Paved Driveway
- No Upper Chain

East Dunstable Price £214,995



- Extended Semi-Detached
- Entrance Hall
- Cloakroom
- Separate Dining Room
- Upvc Conservatory
- Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Garage

Woodside Price £299,995



- Extended Semi-detached
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Kitchen/ Breakfast Room
- Study/ Bedroom 4
- 3 First Floor Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Superb Rear Garden
- Garage & Driveway

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- Detached Family Home
- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Refitted Kitchen
- Attached Garage
- Private Garden



BUSHMEAD £217,500

- Link Detached Home
- Three Bedrooms
- Superb Refitted Kitchen/Diner
- Refitted Cloakroom
- Planning For Side Ext
- Garage & Gardens



DUNSTABLE £142,950

- Four Bedrooms
- Two Open Plan Reception Rooms
- Kitchen & Ground Floor Bathroom
- Private Garden
- Potential to Covert Loft STPP
- No Onward Chain



OLD BEDFORD ROAD AREA OIRO £200,000

- Three Bedroom Home
- Chalet Style
- Two Reception Rooms
- Kitchen/Bkfst Room
- Private Garden
- Garage & Parking



BARTON HILLS £179,950

- Stunning Three Bedroom Home
- Refitted Throughout
- Landscaped Rear Garden
- Two Reception Area
- Cloakroom
- Viewing Advised



NORTH LUTON £289,950

- Substantial Detached Home
- Reception Hallway
- Two Reception Rooms
- Four Bedrooms
- Detached Garage
- Ample Parking



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- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Private Garden
- GCH & Double Glazing
- Viewing Advised



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- Semi-Detached Home
- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Private Garden
- Close to Warden Hills
- Garage & Driveway



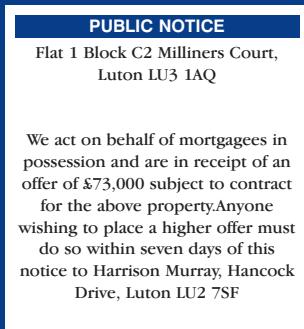
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- Attractive End Terraced
- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception Areas
- Refitted Kitchen
- Private Garden
- Allocated Parking





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NORTH LUTON £139,995

- FOUR BEDROOM TERRACED HOME
- REFITTED KITCHEN
- NO UPPER CHAIN
- CENTRAL HEATING
- GARDENS



BUSHMEAD £235,000

- Link Detached
- Two Receptions
- Three Bedrooms
- Garage with Driveway
- Well Presented Throughout



LIMBURY MEAD £269,950

- Extended Family Home
- Five Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Breakfast
- Conservatory
- Private Garden
- Garage & Block Paved Driveway



BARTON HILLS £189,995

- SEMI DETACHED FAMILY HOME
- REFITTED KITCHEN
- REFITTED BATHROOM
- CONSERVATORY
- GARAGE WITH DRIVEWAY
- NO UPPER CHAIN



NORTH LUTON £274,950

- Semi Detached Bungalow
- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Double Garage
- Large Private Garden
- No Chain



OFF OLD BEDFORD ROAD £129,500

- Stunning Split Level Apartment
- Three Bedrooms
- Refitted Throughout
- Cloakroom and Master Bathroom
- Private Balcony
- Open Plan Sitting & Dining Room



BUSHMEAD £211,950

- Extended Family Home
- Four Bedrooms
- 18'9 x 14'9 Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Private Garden
- Garage & Driveway



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- Two Bedrooms
- Refitted Kitchen
- Refitted Bathroom
- Private Garden
- Garage & Parking



DALLOW AREA OIRO £140,000

- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Sun Room
- First Floor Bathroom
- Private Garden
- Parking



BUSHMEAD £135,000

- PRICED TO SELL
- NO UPPER CHAIN
- TWO DOUBLE BEDROOM
- ENTRANCE HALLWAY
- LOUNGE/DINER
- ALLOCATED PARKING



BUSHMEAD £289,950

- Lovely Four Bedroom Detached
- Two Reception Rooms
- Conservatory
- Corner Plot Gardens
- Garage & Ample Parking
- En Suite & Cloakroom



ICKNIELD CATCHMENT £169,995

- Traditional Home
- Three Bedrooms
- Refitted Kitchen
- Off Road Parking
- Private Garden
- Viewing Advised



BUSHMEAD £225,000

- Detached Family Home
- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Cloakroom
- Garage
- Private Garden



BUSHMEAD £255,000

- Extended Detached Home
- Two Reception Rooms
- Conservatory
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Private Garden
- Garage & Parkin



BUSHMEAD £174,950

- Stunning End Home
- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Refitted Kitchen
- Private Garden
- Allocated Parking



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- Four bedroom
- Double garage
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- Corner plot
- No upper chain
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- Starter home / Buy-to-let
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- Two reception rooms
- Four piece bathroom
- Ensuites
- Conservatory
- Fitted kitchen



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- Cul-de-sac location
- Entrance hallway
- Lounge
- Diner
- Victorian style conservatory
- Fitted kitchen with appliances



LINK DETACHED-Bushmead | £189,995

- Three bedroom
- Link detached
- Refitted kitchen/diner
- Conservatory
- Gas radiator heating
- Garage
- Driveway
- Popular Bushmead



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- Parking Space
- Must Be Viewed

L+D Borders £575 Per month



- Re-Fitted Kitchen
- Re-Fitted Bathroom
- New Carpets & Flooring

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- First Floor Apartment
- Fully Furnished
- Available Mid May
- Parking & Entry

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- Second Floor Flat
- Well Prepared
- Unfurnished
- Available End of March
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- 2 Parking Spaces
- Car-De-Sale Location

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- Ground Floor Flat
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- Available End of March
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- Excellent Condition
- Two Bedrooms
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- Spacious Apartment
- Unfurnished
- Available Now
- Town Centre Location

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- 3 Reception Rooms
- Kitchen / Breakfast
- 4 Further Bed Rooms
- 3rd Floor Study
- Garage & Driveway

Dunstable Town Centre £395 Per month



- Top Floor Studio Flat
- Unfurnished
- Available Now
- Kitchen
- Bathroom
- White Goods
- Close To Town

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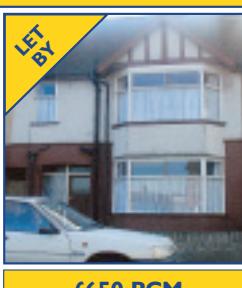
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- Fitted Kitchen
- Popular Location
- Part Furnished
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- Double Glazed
- Top Floor
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- Part Furnished
- Good Size
- Available Mid May



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- One Bedroom
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- First Floor Flat
- Close To Local Amenities
- Open Plan Lounge Kitchen
- Part Furnished
- Ideal For Commuter
- Available Early May



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Town Centre £500 pcm

- One Bedroom
- Short Walk To Town Center
- Ground Floor Maisonette
- Gas Central Heating
- Open Plan Lounge Kitchen
- Unfurnished
- Modern Decor
- Available Now



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L & D Borders £525 pcm

- One Bedroom
- Purpose Built
- Parking
- Unfurnished
- Secure Entry
- Available Now



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Wigmore £525 pcm

- One Bedroom
- Popular Location
- Ground Floor Maisonette
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- Lovely Fitted Kitchen
- Unfurnished
- Refitted Bathroom
- Available Mid June



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Farley Hill £550 pcm

- Two Bedroom
- Purpose Built Block
- Apartment
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- Second Floor
- Part Furnished
- Electric Heating
- Available Now



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- One Bedroom
- Apartment
- Parking
- Ground Floor
- Gated Entrance
- Good Size
- Unfurnished
- Available Beg June



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Leagrave £550 pcm

- Two Bedrooms
- Close To Local Amenities
- Short Walk To Station
- Ideal For Commuter
- Large Lounge
- Part Furnished
- Double Glazed
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Town Centre £575 pcm

- Two Bedroom
- Terraced House
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Dallow Road Area
- Close To Town
- Furnished
- Available 15th May



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- Two Bedrooms
- Easy Access To M1
- Second Floor Apartment
- Lounge
- New Kitchen To Be Fitted
- Allocated Parking
- Furnished
- Available 18th June



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Town Centre £625 pcm

- Two Bedroom Terrace House
- Close To Town
- Double Bedrooms
- Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating
- Refitted Kitchen
- Available Now
- Unfurnished



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Birds Estate £675 pcm

- Two Bedroom House
- Double Glazed
- Mid Terrace
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Furnished
- Off Road Parking
- Gas Central Heating
- Available Now



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Zdenek Kroca scores against AFC Wimbledon in Town's 3-0 win back in October

Head-to-head ...

IT'S honours even in meetings between the two in the Conference with both winning once while there have been two draws.

The Dons were Town's first ever opponents in the Blue Square Bet Premier last season where ten-man Hatters were denied a winning start late on through Jon Main's spot kick after Tom Craddock had given them the lead.

This season Luton have had the better of the two league contests,

comfortably beating Wimbledon 3-0 at Kenilworth Road before drawing 0-0 at Kingsmeadow despite having numerous chances to win the game.

Previous four meetings:
12/1/11 AFC Wimbledon 0-0 Luton Town
17/9/10 Luton Town 3-0 AFC Wimbledon
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The key men ...

THE MANAGER – TERRY BROWN

THE Dons beat Fleetwood Town 8-1 on aggregate to reach the Conference play-off final and afterwards their boss said: "I went to both Luton games and they're a very, very good side. Somebody said to me that [the 8-1 aggregate win over Fleetwood] make you favourites and I'm thinking I hope not.

"I like being the underdog – it's the Wimbledon way. Luton are a bigger side than us, they're a more experienced side than us, and I'm going to talk them up as much I can."

GOALKEEPER – SEB BROWN

A PRODUCT of Brentford's youth system, Sutton-born Seb was signed in August 2009 to provide extra cover for the injured Andy Little.

He made the Bees' first-team squad, as an unused sub in a League Cup game, when he was only 16 years old. He signed professional forms at the end of 2007/08 and made his competitive debut in September 2008 in a Football League Trophy tie against Yeovil Town, which ended in a penalty shootout victory for Brentford.

DEFENDER – SAM HATTON

A PRODUCT of the Stevenage Borough youth academy who made the Boro first team on two occasions in 2005 before loan spells at Yeading, Maidenhead



LEADING MAN: Danny Kedwell, centre



TOUGH TACKLER: Steven Gregory

United, Northwood and Diss Town. This tall, skilful midfielder was a prize capture by the Dons in May 2007. One of the first names on the team sheet, he has made a total of 124 first-team starts in his first two seasons

MIDFIELDER – STEVEN GREGORY

LUTON'S England C contingent will know all about this tough tackling midfielder who has had Football League experience, coming through the youth ranks at Wycombe Wanderers

and making his debut in May 2006. After spells at Hayes & Yeading and Havant & Waterlooville he joined the Dons in summer 2009.

STRIKER – DANNY KEDWELL

WIMBLEDON signed the striker from Grays Athletic in September 2008. He scored 15 times in his debut season and has been top scorer at Kingsmeadow this term with a goal ratio of nearly one in every two games.

Likely starting line-ups ...

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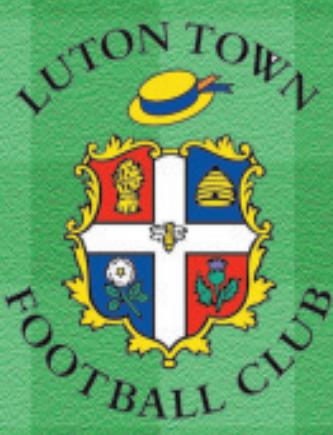
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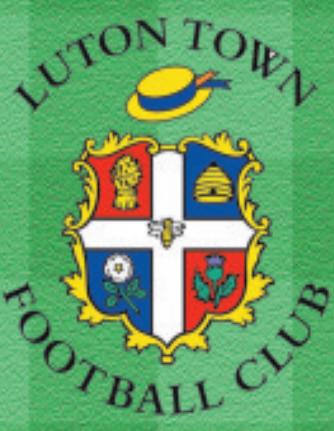
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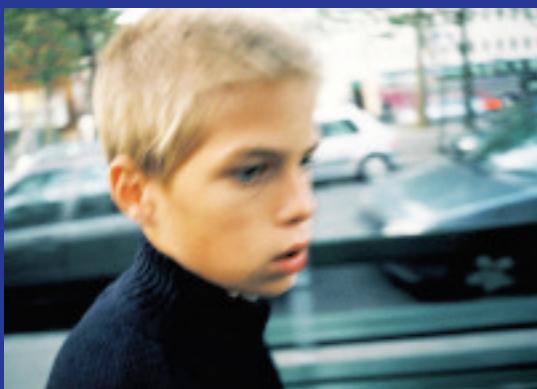
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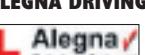
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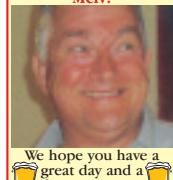
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Deaths

CAPTAIN DEREK WILLIAM HOLMES

Of Maudlin, formerly of Leagrave, Luton passed away at home on 10th May 2011 aged 75 years.

Beloved husband of Sylvia Holmes (deceased), loving dad to Amanda and Trevor and a dear grandad to Amie, William, Edward and Stanley.

Funeral service takes place on Tuesday 24th May, 4.00pm at Luton Crematorium.

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DOMINIQUE FARREN, Opened of Edwarine (Nina) of Belmont Road, Luton passed away on Monday 25th April, 2011 aged 67 years. Reception takes place at Holy Ghost Roman Catholic Church, Luton on Monday 16th May at 6.30pm, followed by funeral mass on Tuesday 17th May at 10.00am with interment at Vale Cemetery. Flowers welcome. All enquiries to Neville Funeral Service. 01582 490005

In Memoriam

ANTONIO BOTTA

8th May 2001
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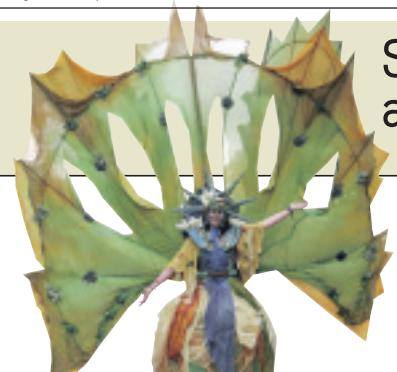
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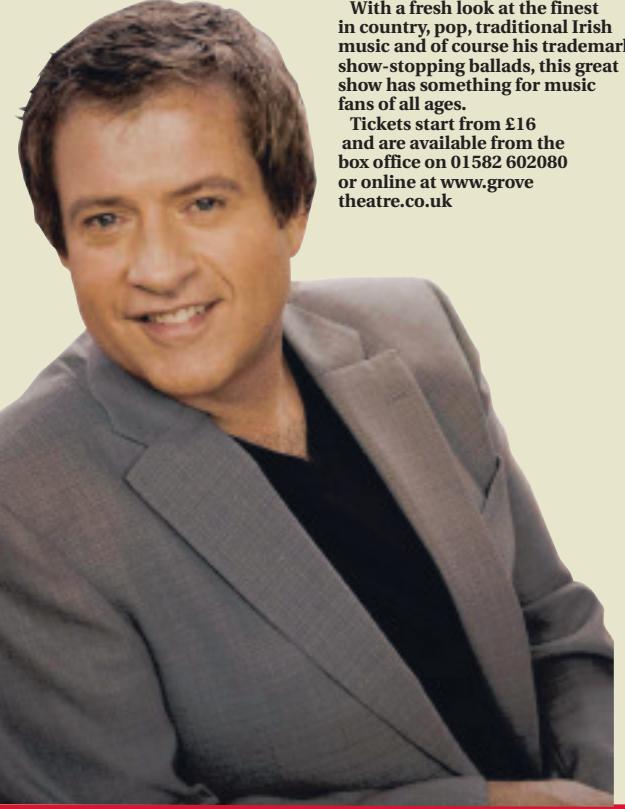
Dominic goes back 'Through the Years' in brand-new show

MUSIC

DOMINIC KIRWAN

Grove Theatre, Dunstable
Wednesday, June 1, 7.30pm

DOMINIC Kirwan is widely regarded as one of the finest entertainers that Ireland has produced.



This year sees the celebration of 21 successful years in music with his brand new show, 'Through the Years'.

Dominic (*pictured*) has a dynamic, vibrant performing style, coupled with his rich voice and wide repertoire which makes for an unforgettable evening of entertainment.

With a fresh look at the finest in country, pop, traditional Irish music and of course his trademark show-stopping ballads, this great show has something for music fans of all ages.

Tickets start from £16 and are available from the box office on 01582 602080 or online at www.grovetheatre.co.uk



Russell's design brings Blood Brothers to life

MUSICAL

BLOOD BROTHERS

Grove Theatre, Dunstable
Monday, May 23 - Saturday, May 28, various times

WILLY Russell's sensational musical *Blood Brothers* returns to the Grove Theatre with its superb score, heart-wrenching story and stunning set.

The cleverly designed set is the creation of international production designer Andy Walmsley, whose work also includes television's *Who*

Wants To Be A Millionaire and *American Idol* for which he won an Emmy Award.

The impressive design successfully navigates the complexity of *Blood Brothers* with its numerous scene changes and locations spanning across four decades, mountains of props and dozens of costume changes.

Making use of such dramatic conventions as lighting effects and flown scenery the audience can't help but find themselves drawn into the world of the play.

Walmsley brings the two contradicting worlds of the working and middle classes to the stage using specific, dated patterns and materials to suggest the time period.

The Grove's West End sized stage is sure to do this phenomenal design justice and promises to provide the people of the surrounding community with an excellent production of this highly-acclaimed musical.

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Breakfast club - with Heart FM's Stuart and Natalie

IT'S been a long held ambition of ours to eat at the 'Fat Duck' in Bray, home to the culinary genius that is Heston Blumenthal.

We caught up with Heston this week to talk about his new Channel 4 show and his search for the UK's next up coming chef.

He told us that the inspiration for his famous snail porridge came after one of his chef's had proposed to his girlfriend in a Chinese restaurant in New York where they had fish porridge on the menu.

Heston being Heston thought he could take that idea to a whole new level using snails!

We were also surprised to hear that he likes nothing better than a good Donner Kebab after a few pints on a night out!

We also caught up with the lovely Lorraine Kelly this week who is lending her voice to a brand new children's TV show, 'rah rah the noisy lion'.

She told us that despite having an older

child she has really enjoyed narrating stories aimed at younger kids.

"When my daughter was young I absolutely loved reading stories to her, so it's really nice to do that again."

And given the choice of a classic children's TV show to bring back she would love to see Mr Benn back on our screens and the Flintstones!

"I think you could give the Flintstones a whole new spin with Eammon Holmes giving it a new Irish flavour.

"He can really ya-ba-dab-adoo!"

"He'd be a cracking Fred Flintstone!"

Finally, we're only a few weeks away from the very first Take That shows and we have managed to get some tickets, so keep your eyes on this column in the coming weeks and we'll tell you how you can get hold of them!

■ Stuart and Natalie present Heart Breakfast Monday to Friday 6am-10am on Heart 103.3FM.

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LUTON INTERNATIONAL CARNIVAL

NOTICE is hereby given that Luton Borough Council, the highway authority for the said Borough, and with the appropriate approval of the Secretary of State for Transport, intends to make the above the Borough of Luton (Luton International Carnival) (Temporary Road Closures) Order 2011 under Section 16A of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended).

The purpose of the Order is to close various roads to traffic on the occasion of the Luton International Carnival which takes place on Monday 30 May 2011. The effect of the Order will be to allow the Council to prohibit vehicles from entering or proceeding in those roads or lengths of roads described in the Schedule below between 7am and 9pm on Monday 30 May 2011.

A vehicle will be exempted if the vehicle is being used

- for fire brigade, police or ambulance purposes;
- in the service of the local authority;
- in the service of a statutory undertaker in pursuance of statutory duties;
- for and is being driven in the Carnival Parade and
- for the removal of obstruction to traffic.

The Order will also suspend the one-way traffic restriction in Collingdon Street between its junction with Cardigan Street and its junction with New Bedford Road;

All diversions for traffic will be clearly marked by signs. Access will be maintained wherever possible. Access to car parks will be maintained during the day except when the relevant roads will need to be fully closed to traffic whilst the Carnival Parade proceeds.

R J Stevens, Solicitor to the Council
Town Hall, Luton LU1 2BQ

SCHEDULE

ROAD	LENGTH OF ROAD
Alexandra Avenue	From New Bedford Road to Marlborough Road
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Alma Street	The whole length
Barbers Lane	The whole length
Bath Road	The whole length
Bridge Street	The whole length
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Cardigan Street	The whole length
Castle Street	From George Street to Flowers Way
Chapel Street	From George Street to Flowers Way
Cheapside	From George Street to The Mall Shopping Centre From Guildford Street to John Street/Silver Street
Collingdon Street	The whole length
Dunstable Place	The whole length
George Street	The whole length
George Street West	The whole length
Gordon Street	The whole length
Guildford Street	The whole length
Hucklesby Way	The whole length
Inkerman Street	The whole length
John Street	From Nelson Street to Silver Street
King Street	The whole length
Lancerts Path	The whole length
Library Road	The whole length
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Midland Road	From Old Bedford Road to Dudley Street
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ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1)

(CHILTERN GREEN ROAD, CHILTERN GREEN, HYDE
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 2011



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Central Bedfordshire Council intend not less than seven days from the date of this Notice to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit any vehicle, except a vehicle being used for fire, police or ambulance purposes in an emergency, from proceeding along that length of Chiltern Green Road, Chiltern Green, Hyde which extends from its junction with the B653 Lower Harpenden Road to its junction with Dane Street.

This temporary closure is required to enable railway bridge repair works to take place and shall apply to such extent as may from time to time be indicated by the appropriate traffic signs. Where possible access will be maintained to property and premises but may be restricted from time to time according to local signing.

It is expected that the works will take place overnight from 10.00pm on Saturday 28 May until 6.00am on Sunday 29 May 2011, and overnight between 10.00pm and 6.00am from Monday 30 May to Friday 3 June 2011.

The alternative routes available for vehicles affected by the proposed Order are:

Proceed south east on Dane Street and then Kimpton Road to junction with The Green, Peters Green. Turn right and then continue on Hyde Lane and Farris Lane to junction with B653 Lower Harpenden Road, turn right and continue on B653 to junction with Chiltern Green Road and site and vice versa.

The proposed Order will come into operation on 28 May 2011 for a period of four months or until the proposed works have been completed, as detailed above, whichever is the earlier. For further information please contact Sharon Denton, Centurion Site Services, Tel: 01924 372957.

(BARTON LE CLAY: PART OF FOOTPATH NO 9)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Central Bedfordshire Council have made an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit any person proceeding on foot along the length of Footpath No 9, Barton Le Clay which extends from Ordnance Survey Grid Reference (OS GR) TL 0784 3096 south, then south east to OS GR TL 0789 3088 then south to OS GR TL 0789 3083.

This temporary closure is required to enable construction works to take place. The closure is expected to continue from 17 May 2011 until 14 October 2011.

There is no alternative route for Footpath users while the closure is in operation.

The Order will come into operation on 17 May 2011 for a period not exceeding six months or until the works which it is proposed to carry out on or near to have been completed, whichever is the earlier. If the works are not completed within six months the Order may be extended for a longer period with the consent of the Secretary of State for Transport.

For further information please contact Gemma Game, Central Bedfordshire Council, Tel: 0300 300 6574.

(HOUGHTON REGIS: FOOTPATH NO 40 AND PART OF FOOTPATH NO 26
AND CHALTON: PART OF FOOTPATH NO 16) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION
OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Central Bedfordshire Council have made an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit any person proceeding on foot along the following lengths of Footpath:

- Footpath No 26, Houghton Regis which extends from Ordnance Survey Grid Reference (OS GR) SP 9997 2475 to OS GR TL 0002 2528
- Footpath No 40, Houghton Regis which extends from OS GR TL 0069 2496 to OS GR TL 0041 2546
- Footpath No 16, Chalton which extends from OS GR TL 0229 2602 to OS GR TL 0237 2699

These temporary closures are required to enable electricity pylon work to be carried out in safety. The closures are expected to continue from 18 May to 31 August 2011.

The alternative routes for Footpath users while the closures are in operation will be:

Footpath No 26, Houghton Regis: From OS GR SP 9997 2475 continue generally west then north west along Footpath No 30 to OS GR SP 9977 2481, then continue north north west along Footpath No 25 to OS GR SP 9996 2509. Turn right and continue along Footpath No 42 to its junction with Footpath No 26 at OS GR TL 0002 2528 and vice versa.

Footpath No 40, Houghton Regis: From OS GR TL 0069 2496 continue generally south east along Footpath No 4 to its junction with Footpath No A7 at OS GR TL 0106 2449. Continue along Footpath No A7 and across Thorpe Road to OS GR TL 0019 2463, continue along Footpath Nos 26, 30 and 25 to OS GR SP 9966 2509. Turn right and continue along Footpath Nos 42 and 41 to Footpath No 40 at OS GR TL 0041 2546 and vice versa.

Footpath No 16, Chalton: From OS GR TL 0229 2602 proceed generally north west along BOAT 43, Houghton Regis then BOAT 29, Chalgrove to Well Cottage. Turn right and continue along Footpath No 27, Chalgrove to OS GR TL 0157 2699, turn right and continue along Footpath No 26, Chalgrove to its junction with Footpath No 17, Chalton at OS GR TL 0222 2730. Turn right and continue along Footpath No 17, Chalton to its junction with Footpath No 16 at OS GR TL 0237 2699 and vice versa.

The Order will come into operation on 18 May 2011 for a period not exceeding six months or until the works which it is proposed to carry out on or near to these Footpaths have been completed, whichever is the earlier.

For further information please contact Michelle Flynn, Central Bedfordshire Council, Tel: 0300 300 6072.

(SHARPNHOE ROAD SERVICE ROAD, BARTON)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Central Bedfordshire Council intend not less than seven days from the date of this Notice to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit any vehicle, except a vehicle being used for fire, police or ambulance purposes in an emergency, from proceeding along the whole length of Sharpenhoe Road Service Road, Barton.

This temporary closure is required to enable resurfacing work to take place and shall apply to such extent as may from time to time be indicated by the appropriate traffic signs. Where possible access will be maintained to property and premises but may be restricted from time to time according to local signing.

It is expected that the works will take place between 1st and 10th June 2011 from 8.00am to 6.30pm. Specific dates will be advertised locally closer to the time.

There is no alternative route available for this closure.

The proposed Order will come into operation on 1st June 2011 for a period of four months or until the proposed works have been completed, as detailed above, whichever is the earlier.

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NOTICE UNDER SECTION 67 OR 73 OF PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS & CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT 1990

APPLICATION NO: CB/11/01055/FULL General Publicity

PROPOSAL: Erection of single storey extension to warehouse/marshalling area of supermarket and Hgv dock leveller and approach ramp.

LOCATION: ASDA Stores Ltd, Court Drive, Dunstable, LU5 4JD

APPLICATION NO: CB/11/01169/FULL Affects Conservation Area

PROPOSAL: Conversion of existing garage to annexe and alteration

LOCATION: 4 The Bunch Of Nuts, The Green, Houghton Regis, Dunstable, LU5 5DX

APPLICATION NO: CB/11/01366/FULL Affects Listed Building/Conserv. Area

PROPOSAL: Erection of detached outbuilding for use as garage and physiotherapy treatment room

LOCATION: Old School House, The Green, Whipsnade, Dunstable, LU6 2LL

APPLICATION NO: CB/11/01378/FULL Affects Conserv Area/General Publicity

PROPOSAL: Change of use of first floor area of Nos 37 & 39 to form 7 self contained flats. New second floor with pitched roof extension over Nos 37 & 39 to form 6 self contained flats. Single storey ground floor rear extension and single storey first floor level extension to No. 39. Single storey first floor level extension on no.37.

LOCATION: 37 & 39 High Street South, Dunstable, LU6 3RZ

APPLICATION NO: CB/11/01348/FULL Affects Conserv Area/General Publicity

PROPOSAL: Change of Use to A1 and A3

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APPLICATION NO: CB/11/01407/FULL Major/ConservationArea/GeneralPublicity

PROPOSAL: Demolition of existing building and redevelopment with 13 houses, 1 flat and 1 commercial premises and all ancillary works.

LOCATION: 16 North Street, Leighton Buzzard, LU7 1EN

APPLICATION NO: CB/11/01508/FULL Affects Conservation Area

PROPOSAL: Ground floor rear garage extension

LOCATION: 137 - 139 High Street South, Dunstable, LU6 3SS

APPLICATION NO: CB/11/01511/LB Affects Listed Building or its Setting

PROPOSAL: Listed Building: Alterations to existing outbuilding and single storey extension

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APPLICATION NO: CB/11/01534/FULL Affects Conservation Area

PROPOSAL: Two storey front extension

LOCATION: 19 Bedford Road, Barton-le-Clay, Bedford, MK45 4JX

APPLICATION NO: CB/11/01542/FULL Affects Conservation Area

PROPOSAL: Conversion of roof space with insertion of dormer to form 1no self contained flat

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You should have excellent classroom management skills, secure knowledge of the revised frameworks and be willing to take on a subject co-ordinator role. We need someone with high expectations, who will plan co-operatively and share ideas, and be a flexible member of the team.

You should be supportive of the Catholic ethos of our school. Visits to the school are warmly welcomed.

For further details and an application pack please contact Pauline Cotton, St Vincent's Catholic Primary School, Hammersmith Gardens, Houghton Regis, Beds LU5 5RG. Tel: 01582 862456. Email: stvincent@deal.bedfordshire.gov.uk

Closing date: 20 May 2011.

Interview date: week commencing 23 May 2011.

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Maidenhall Primary

Foundation Stage Leader

MPS/UPS plus TLR 2

September or as soon as possible afterward

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Application Information: Jon Briggs, 01582 430780, Maidenhall Primary School, Newark Road, Luton, Bedfordshire, LU4 8LD, maidenhall.primary.admin@luton.gov.uk To apply online please visit www.luton.gov.uk/jobs and click on the link to teaching and schools vacancies.

Closing date: 20 May 2011, 4pm.

Shortlisting: 20 May 2011.

Interview date: 23 May 2011.

St Matthew's Primary

Teacher FS, KS1 and KS2

Required from September 2011

MPS/UPS

St Matthew's is a large, vibrant, multi-cultural primary school in the centre of Luton serving a diverse community. Due to the promotion of current post holders and the expansion of the school, the Head and Governors are seeking to appoint committed and talented professionals to join the dedicated team already at this school. Visits to the school are warmly welcome.

Contact details for enquiries: Mrs Jackie Bartley 01582 723970. To apply online please visit www.luton.gov.uk/jobs and click on the link to teaching and schools vacancies.

Closing date: Thursday 19 May 2011.

Interview date: Week commencing Monday 23 May 2011.

CVs will not be accepted for any posts based in schools. The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff to share this commitment.
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Ref: 11/0082

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Closing date: 22nd May 2011.

Ref: 11/0090

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£28,636 - £30,851 p.a.

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Literacy - Ref: 11/0091

Numeracy - Ref: 11/0092

Closing date for both posts: 22nd May 2011.

Interview date: 15th & 16th June 2011.

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Quote ref: 2289

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Sue Wilson, PA to Headteacher on 01582 679415.

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For further information and an application form for either of these posts, please contact Mrs. Lou Ellis (Headteacher's P.A.) at the school.

Closing Date for both posts: Wednesday 25th May, 2011

Redborne is a very successful school that achieves excellent examination results, over 80% of students gain 5A* - C grades at GCSE (over 70% including Maths and English). Our Value Added score in 2010 of 1020 places us in the top 15% of schools in the country. 'A' Level results are also very good with 50% of passes at 'A' or 'B' grades and an overall pass rate of 98%. The school is well regarded and popular, situated in a very pleasant area of Central Bedfordshire, within easy reach of London. About 80% of the Sixth Form go on to University. In 2008 the school had an excellent OFSTED Report and was graded as "OUTSTANDING". In 2008 Redborne received Sports College, Science College and Training School Status, the Arts Mark Gold Award as well as High Performing School Status.

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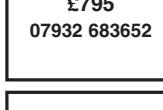
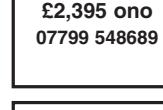
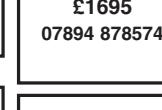
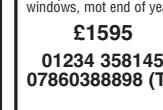
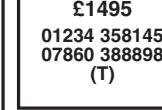
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Keogh comes back into fold but top trio out for crucial clash

MINOR COUNTIES CRICKET

BEDFORDSHIRE go into today's match with Oxfordshire at Banbury knowing that defeat will almost certainly end their chances of going through from the group stage of the MCCA Trophy, writes **Lance Christopher**.

A disappointing display at Ampthill last Sunday saw them well beaten by 59 runs by Hertfordshire.

Herefordshire have already won two games and although they lost to the group leaders last week, Oxfordshire have a victory over Dorset in the bank. So today's game is a must win as far as Bedfordshire are concerned.

Unfortunately other commitments mean that the county will be without three important players. Former Bedford Modern School batsman George Thurstance is required by Cardiff University, James Kettleborough, who made a century for Middlesex 2nds during the week, is playing in a Twenty20 tournament for Bedford School and George Bacon has duties with Nottinghamshire.

Rob Keogh, who had to pull out last week to travel for a Northamptonshire second team game, is available so he replaces Thurstance. Oliver Swann comes in for Kettleborough and Martin Weightman takes over from Bacon.

The selected side is: Oliver Clayton, Keogh, Dan Simpson, Steve Stubbings, Andy Reynoldson, Swann, Martin Weightman, Will Sleath, Andy McGarry, George Arblaster and Colin Griggs.

Bedfordshire got off to a bright start last week when new opening bowler McGarry claimed a wicket with his third ball and Griggs also struck in his first over. But although runs had to be worked for, the Hertfordshire middle order all made worthwhile contributions.

Nevertheless Bacon took 3-53 and although Ben Frazer cracked 49, the Hertfordshire tail folded and Bedfordshire must have fancied their chances of chasing down a target of 243.

However they also lost two early wickets including that of former Derbyshire batsman Stubbings who went for a duck on his debut. Thurstance and Reynoldson batted sensibly to take the score to 83 before Thurstance chipped one to mid-wicket for 33 and Bedfordshire fell further behind the required run rate when Reynoldson fell for 35.

Clayton and Kettleborough perished to catches on the boundary and although Arblaster batted well to make 26, the rest of the line-up rather slipped away.

Bedfordshire were all out for 183 with Hewitt finishing with the somewhat flattering figures of 5-25.

Scores: Hertfordshire 242. Bedfordshire 183.



BEDFORDSHIRE CRICKET LEAGUE

LUTONIAN play their third home game in a row today with Dunstable Town the visitors to Knebworth Park in the Premier Division.

Both come off the back of victories last Sunday when Dunstable Town beat Biggleswade by 32 runs at Lancot Park while this afternoon's hosts got their first win of the new campaign last Sunday with a 23-run victory over local rivals Luton Town & Indians.

With local bragging rights up for grabs in that game, away side Town won the toss but decided to bowl.

Lutonian, who finished as runners-up to Flitwick last summer, scored 197-9 in their 45 overs. Openers Naeem Khan (33), Sajid Dar (31) and captain Asif Khan (31) all contributed with decent knocks while Mohammed Haroon, in his first season with the club, added 29 runs.

In the Luton Town bowling attack Aravind Varma claimed his side's best tally of 3-23 while Nitin Parsooth (2-24) and Mushifque Ahmed (2-40) both weighed in with a brace of wickets each.

When put into bat Indians put in a valiant response but just fell short of their target with 174-8 in their 45 overs.

Jeremy Page's half century with a knock of 61 was the match's best but only Mohit Pun (28) and David Morgan Junior (26) could add anything close to that.

Mohammed Irfshad (**pictured above**) was the pick of the Lutonian bowlers, taking 4-19.

Luton Town will have a tough task of avenging their defeat in the Luton derby when they travel to champions Flitwick this afternoon.

HAPPY HATTERS:
Jason Walker celebrates in the changing room with Happy Harry after Luton's win over Wrexham



Kroca believes large crowd will make Eastlands feel like home



ZDENEK KROCA can't wait to step out at Eastlands in front of the biggest number of fans he will have ever seen.

After falling behind to an early Andy Mangan strike the central defender scored the equaliser in the play-off semi-final second leg at home to Wrexham – where 8,242 Hatters fans went berserk, spurring the side on to a 2-1 (5-1 aggregate) win.

The victory booked Town's place in the showpiece at Manchester City against AFC Wimbledon who thrashed Fleetwood 8-1 on aggregate in the other last four tie.

On his experience of playing before the biggest Kenilworth Road crowd of the season, the towering centre back said: "It was a big game, big crowd and they were very loud."

"Even when we were 1-0 down they still believed in us and we have to say, 'thank you,'" said Kroca who became the first ever Czech player to captain a Luton Town side when he led them out for their 4-0 at Histon last month.

With Luton fans set to pack the initial 22,500 seats allocated to them, despite high ticket prices and a long trip to the North West, Kroca is expecting Eastlands to feel like a home away from home.

"Now we are looking forward to the play-off final and an even bigger crowd," he said. "I think we will be like the home side with the fans we have."

And the prospect of playing at a Premier League stadium less than a year after arriving in the country is an exciting prospect for the centre back, more than making up for missing out on the chance to go to the national stadium in the FA Trophy.

"We had the chance to play at Wembley but this is another big chance with a big prize," he said. "We need to prepare well and win it."

While the final will be the biggest match of his Hatters career – where he played in all but six of the games this season – he admitted that only a few people will be able to travel from his homeland to watch it live.

"I think they [friends and family] will watch the game on the Internet but a couple of friends will come over to watch the game."

"I'm looking forward to it but we have only done half the job and this is the biggest game of the season."





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Hatter dreams of a Walker winner to top Wembley final

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JASON Walker is dreaming of reproducing a winning Wembley strike and netting the goal that gets Luton Town promoted.

The striker, who signed from Barrow in November, scored the winner for the Bluebirds in extra time of last season's FA Trophy final to beat Stevenage 2-1.

While that was his career highlight to date, the forward is preparing for the Blue Square Bet Premier play-off final against AFC Wimbledon this Saturday at the City of Manchester Stadium – a game he expects to blow his previous experience of a final out of the water.

"I like the big occasions and the big games. It is what I came to Luton for," he said.

"When I played at Wembley it was big for the Barrow fans and they all travelled in their numbers for it. Luckily I scored the winner to seal the cup for them and if I can do the same for Luton fans, I'll be absolutely delighted."

"But, to be honest, I don't mind who scores or how we win as long as we get promoted."

Walker, whose fifth goal of the season against Wrexham in the semi-final second leg sealed a 5-1 victory, promised supporters that there is more to come from him.

"I've played well and worked hard but

the goals haven't been there. Some of it is down to luck and I've not been getting it in front of goal," he said. "The fans haven't seen the real me yet. I can score all different types of goals. I haven't been the same as I should be but now I've been getting goals. It's a shame it's the end of the season but I'll take that as long as we win in Manchester."

"Wembley was the biggest game of my career so far but you look at the fans and they belong in the League. You saw them on Tuesday and we'll probably take two or three times that to Manchester."

"It's an incredible club and it will be a massive game, not just for me but for everyone. We just want to put the club back where we belong."



CRUCIAL SAVE: Mark Tyler gets down well to keep out Gareth Taylor's penalty during Luton's 2-1 second leg play-off semi-final win over Wrexham

Tyler hoping for place in Luton Hall of Fame

PICTURES of Luton Town's previous final appearance adorn the walls of their training facility and keeper Mark Tyler is dreaming of making Hatters fans as happy as they were three years ago.

The photographs he sees every day at work are from when the club beat Scunthorpe 3-2 in extra time to claim the Johnstone's Paint Trophy at Wembley – almost their last act before falling through the League Two trap door and into the Conference.

Much has changed since that day in the capital, including the former Peter-

borough stopper joining the Kenilworth Road outfit, but now they sit a potential 90 minutes away from a return to the Football League promised land.

AFC Wimbledon stand in their way in the Blue Square Bet Premier play-off final but Luton are expected to fill their end at the City of Manchester Stadium on Saturday and their support is all the motivation Tyler needs to aim for victory.

"We've seen the pictures at the training ground of Wembley and they filled it then," said the keeper. "They're passionate, noisy and we've got to give them

something to celebrate. But on Tuesday they were magnificent. We'll have to double that, maybe treble it, at Eastlands. It will be even noisier. It is great to play in front of – it gives you a buzz."

"They deserve it as well as us. They've had two years of this football. We've still got a hard game ahead of us against Wimbledon but we'll be strong, fit and raring to go in the final."

"I've played at Wembley before with Peterborough and we won 1-0. It was nothing like this is going to be because the noise is going to be unbelievable."



VICTORIOUS: Daniel Cadman

Cadman is crowned champ after Redemption Day fight

BOXING

DANIEL Cadman beat champion Paul Morby 98-95 on points to claim the Southern Area super middleweight crown while Leon Williams defended his cruiserweight version at Graham Earl's doubled

headlined Redemption Day fight night at London's York Hall last Saturday.

In a rematch of January's all out brawl from a previous Earl event that ended in a draw, Cadman and champion Morby

went hammer and tongs at each other again for ten rounds. This time however, referee Ken Curtis deservedly awarded the belt to the challenger.

After taking the plaudits from the fans, and receiving the belt, Cadman said: "I am absolutely rubber-ducked, I tried my hardest and got there in the end. I'm a bit too tired to talk much, but I am over the moon."

In the second title fight of the night, Williams knocked out Danny Couzens four rounds in to successfully defend his Southern Area cruiserweight crown.

Williams said: "That's how I

wanted it, I wanted a straight KO. You don't get any extra for overtime. It was perfect, a perfect finish."

The newest signing to his Graham Earl Promotions roster saw Michael Maguire make his long-awaited return to the ring against Danny Dantchev, with the former English title challenger putting on an impressive performance full of devastating punching mixed with top class ringcraft to win by 40-36 points.

Of the other Earl fighters on the undercard his two unbeaten aces – Joe Hillerby and Terry Holmes – maintained their winning streaks and Belfast's Mark Ginley claimed a professional debut victory against Dan Carr to win by a 40-37 margin.

However, there was defeat for American Emmanuel 'Manny' Oshunrinde, searching for his first win on British soil, as he was retired by Sam Couzens.

After taking some ferocious hits for three rounds he went to his corner but while on his stool Oshunrinde's trainer, Barry Smith, signalled to referee, Bob Williams, that his man was in no condition to continue.

Reynolds 'shocked' at title shot

AMATEUR BOXING

PROMISING amateur boxer Jordan Reynolds admits that even he is shocked to have reached the National ABAE Junior Championship finals.

The Stevenage ABA fighter from Luton beat Toby Osmond (Weymouth ABC) in a unanimous points decision in the semi-final in Oxford last weekend.

Only England ABA pugilist Isaac McLeod – who beat Charlie Lee (Kettering SOB) 21-16 in the last four – stands in the way of Reynolds and his first fight title.

The 15-year-old will take on the vastly more experienced Sunderland former schoolboy champion in Rochester, Kent, on Saturday in the Class Four 63kg category in a three round contest.

He said: "It is mad. I didn't expect to get this far, especially

as I only had two fights before this competition."

"I was just going in for the experience, so I'm shocked to have got through to the final."

It will only be Reynolds' seventh ever fight while his opponent has racked up more than 40 amateur bouts, but the novice is undaunted.

"If you want to be a champion you've got to beat the best."

"I'm just going to work hard. I know he's an orthodox fighter, quite small but broad."

"I'm tall so I expect him to think that I'll stay back and that he can come up underneath me. But I think we'll go toe-to-toe."

Reynolds, who also trains at Graham Earl's House of Champions gym in Luton, said of his mentor: "I'd be nowhere near as far as I am if it wasn't for Graham. He's got me running in the morning, training hard and working to get everything perfect."

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Attacks are hard to stop, says Brabin

LUTON boss Gary Brabin believes it is difficult to completely stamp out incidents such as the one that saw Celtic manager Neil Lennon attacked by a so-called fan during a match.

The supporter came out of the main stand during the Bhoys' 3-0 win over Hearts at Tynecastle on Wednesday and made straight for Lennon, sparking a fracas, before being marched up the tunnel by police and arrested.

Scottish football authorities have begun an investigation into how the incident in the Scottish Premier League match was allowed to occur.

Brabin, who is preparing to lead his Hatters side out in the Conference play-off final on Saturday, believes there is as much chance of it happening in the fifth tier of the English game as it is in the top tier north of the border.

"You get it at every level," Brabin told Talksport. "We get the same police and stewards that they do in the Football League but it is sad when fans are getting close to the players and manager.

"It is going to happen from time to time because I think it is impossible to stop. It happens at every level."

Howells is relishing the 'game of his life'



BY JAMES CUNLIFFE

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JAKE Howells thinks that victory in the Conference play-off final could change his life and make up for his Wembley heartbeat

Despite his tender years the versatile Hatter played every round of Town's 2009 Johnstone's Paint Trophy success but was dropped from the squad for the final, leaving him devastated at missing the chance to play in the most famous football stadium in the world.

Having played 48 times this season, largely in midfield, Howells (left) is hopeful that his name will be on the team sheet for Saturday's clash with AFC Wimbledon in the Blue Square Bet Premier play-off final.

"If I start it will be the biggest game of my life," he said. "I'm taking it really seriously, living properly outside of football and concentrating on this game – it could change my life. I want to be back playing in the Football League. I'm desperate to get back."

But experience has taught him his place in the starting line-up is anything but guaranteed.

Recalling the build-up to the league trophy three years ago, he said: "Mick Harford was the manager then and he said, 'Jake, I've left you out but I know one day you'll play at Wembley or a big stadium again'.

"I was really upset because I got told the night before the game. I'd played in every round before that but now, I'm just working hard in training to try to get in the team on Saturday and go out there and win.

"It made me a lot stronger and I realised that I've got a long career ahead of me."

While a shot at promotion back to the Football League is on the table, Howells – like four of his Hatters team-mates – is set to miss out on a chance for international honours.

He has been an ever present in the England C side this season, scoring a goal for the Three Lions and helping them into the International Challenge Trophy final.

Unfortunately the showpiece is being played at Northampton Town's Sixfields stadium two days before Town's date at the City of Manchester Stadium, meaning Howells, Matthew Barnes-Homer, Robbie Willmott, Amari Morgan-Smith and Danny Crow will also miss out.

"That's football for you," he said. "I've played in every game of that competition and scored a goal for England but I can't do both. I've got to give up one of them and sadly it's the England game."

"I would have loved to have played but the play-off game is more important."

"I hope the [England] lads do well and they do win it. I wish them the best of luck."

"I probably will go and cheer them on. I know them quite well and I've played with them five times so hopefully they will win."

"I will argue my case for a medal [if they win] because I've played in every game."

"It is unbelievable, wearing the England shirt. I had a lot of respect for Paul Fairclough for picking me."

"If we don't win [the Conference final] then maybe I can play for England again, but this is a massive game."

"I want to be back in the Football League in the long run and I'd say this is much more important."

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